

Bridger, Samuel Waugh, Henry Herold, James Lewis, John Grimes, Moses Hughes  
William Blair, Andrew Edmiston, Sam Hogshead, Isaac McNeel, William McNeel, John  
n Moore, Lanty Lockridge, John Griffin, George Key and Abraham Seabord, they ret  
urned two indictments one against David H Smith for disturbing the peace and  
one against Josiah Beard for obstructing public roads, Smith was found guilty  
and fined \$ 100.00 and bound over to keep the peace .

Richard Hill George Poage, John Bradshaw, James Tallman And John Slaven we-  
re appointed as overseers of the poor for Pocahontas County. A deed was rec-  
orded from Thomas Cochran and wife to James Rankin this deed was acknowledged  
at this time by the court. This terretory was in the 8th, Judicial Circuit at  
that time. On May 8th, the first school commissioners were appointed they were  
the following Thomas Hill, Samuel Gay, Patrick Bruffey, James Tallman and John  
Gilland.

This court fixed the price of an(Ordinary) which was a dining place  
where the prices were fixed Diet 25 cts, lodging 8 cts, grain per gallon 12½ cts  
12 hours at hay 12½ cts, whiskey per gill 6¼ cts, Brandy per gill 6¼ cts, Jamaica  
spirits per gill 12½ cts, French Brandy 12½ cts and Rum per gill 10 cents these  
prices were fixed by the court at the May term 1822.

Information-County Court Order Book # I . Court House, Marlinton, W. Va.

C. W Price, Marlinton, W. Va.

W. G McKeever, Buckeye, W. Va.







County Government. Samuel G Smith Hillsboro. W. Va. Pocahontas Co.

The county levy of 1822 was \$ 950.47 and much of this was to pay

the bounty on wolf scalps at 4.00 each as the labor was only 50cts a day at that time, the total taxable population at that time was 437 each of them payed 2.17 and the levy was met. The levy for the year of 1823 was \$1.453.12 the Governor of Virginia at that time was James Pleasants. The county Court met once each month the year through, and much of their work was helping to enforce the laws, the constables often had to take stock and hold it for a debt and for security they were allowed 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  cents per day for a horse, 3cts for a cow and 1 ct, each for a hog and a sheep, this rate was for 24 hours.

Many of the endictments in the youth of the county was for assault and battery and disturbing the peace with a few cases of larceny. Delinquencies for the year of 1823 was \$ 17.07 this was a very small amount but at that day and time it was considered large, but money was very hard to get and about all the money a family got hold of during the year went to pay the taxes. At this time William Poage was appointed Sheriff with William Arbogast and Jonathan Jordan as his deputies.

About this time many so called Ordinaries were opened up, and in fact you found one in each populated area throughout the county, the court granted a license to each one who opened up an Ordinary, they were the same as our Tourists Homes of today. Deeds were passed by the court before they were recorded



and many of these pertained to negro slaves, as their master usually gave each slave that was worthy something either in the way of land or some personal property and these all had to be passed on by the County Court before they were recorded. A plat of the prison ground was presented to the court by Sampson Mathews in 1824 Oct 5. Henry M Moffett was named assistant clerk to Josiah Beard. The levy for 1825 was ~~XXXXXX~~ \$ 1.846.77 this money was collected by the Sheriff as of today and went to pay current bills of expense, the tax at that time was assessed equal as 348 people paid \$ 3.35 each. There were many Justices of the Peace at that time and they did much of the work that today is done by our Circuit Court. Delinquencies for 1825 was \$ 83.77. The court of 1825 were the following gentlemen James Tallman, John Bradshaw, John Slaven, James Waugh and Levi Moore. The J.P handled all the papers of authorization of men to serve as heads of certain Companies, Battalians and Regiments of note in the commonwealth.

Overseers of the poor of 1825 were the following gentlemen Levi Moore, John Slaven, George Poage, James Tallman, & William Poage Jr, these men were all sworn and took the oath given by a Justice Of The Peace. Fees for feeding prisoners at that time was 40 cts, per day. James Tallman was chosen Sheriff until the first quarterly court of 1827 convened and his bond was \$ 30,000.00 with William Arbogast as his deputy. Along about this time there were many constables appointed to assist in administering justice to the pub-